

THE ABERFELDY ANNOUNCER

The newsletter from Aberfeldy Big Local



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Aberfeldy Big Local Updates

Since the last edition of the Aberfeldy Announcer and following consultation with Aberfeldy residents, the ABL team ran community trips to Mudchute Farm and the National Maritime Museum in Greenwich. The trips were well attended by local residents and feedback was incredibly positive. Keep a look out for more trips in the future!

Before the winter break, the team also took part in the Aberfeldy winter event, giving out free hot drinks and festive treats, our youth group ran a popular bubble tea stall and we had a chance to meet new residents.

Since the writing of our new Local Plan last year, the team are now focused on responding to the needs expressed by residents about what they want to see in the area.

Read on to find out what's coming up and how to get involved!

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Aberfeldy Youth Group

In December, we celebrated the festive holidays and the opening of the new Aberfeldy Square as part of the Aberfeldy Creates winter event. During the event, a group of Aberfeldy young people planned and ran a bubble tea stall to raise money for Cystic Fibrosis Trust. The young people raised an impressive £120!

Any local young people who want to get involved with this group, or who have their own ideas for projects and activities, contact Veronica on **07436626061** or email hello@aberfeldybiglocal.com.



Women's Sewing Group

The Women's Sewing Group restarted on Monday 9th January. This group will also be leading cooking and growing workshops this year. Learn sewing skills led by local tutor Rasheda Begum.

WHEN: Mondays

TIME: 1-3pm

WHERE: 39 Aberfeldy Street, E14 0NU



Contact Noore on **07436568524** to find out more information and to sign up.

Crochet, Knit and Natter



The Crochet, Knit and Natter group hand made this beautiful Christmas themed post box topper, bringing a lot of festive cheer and brightening up Aberfeldy Street!

The group meet at Aberfeldy Big Local at 39 Aberfeldy Street every **Wednesday 10am-12pm**.

Drop in and learn some creative skills! All levels welcome.

Community Chest Grants

Aberfeldy Big Local's Community Chest Grants are now open for applications!

Our 2021 Community Chest Grants brought residents together following the difficult months of lockdown. Projects funded from the last round, included healthy eating workshops, a children's art club, men and women's walking groups, women's sewing classes, a parent-led fun club, after school football, boxing for kids and toddler sessions at Tiny Tots.

This year, projects should aim to:

- Make Aberfeldy a better place to live
- Contribute towards capacity building, e.g. grow new ideas, build community relationships/networks, develop knowledge or skills, etc.
- Address inequality

To be eligible, you must:

- be an Aberfeldy resident

or

- work or volunteer in Aberfeldy



Email hello@aberfeldybiglocal.com for guidance and the application form or call **07442251109** to speak to one of the team.

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS: Monday 20th February at 9am



Application Support Drop-In

If you need support from the ABL staff team to talk through your community chest idea or with completing your application, we will have two drop-in slots available on:

- **Tuesday 7th February: 1-3pm & 4-6pm**

If these times don't work for you but you would still like support, email the team at hello@aberfeldybiglocal.com to book in another time or drop in to 39 Aberfeldy Street to speak to one of the team.



Sheila's Brew

Sheila's Brew, the Aberfeldy Big Local tea room, is open to all Aberfeldy residents Monday to Wednesday.

Run by local resident Sheila, the tea room is a warm space for residents to get together, have a chat, discuss ideas for activities in the area and find out what else is going on locally.

WHEN: Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays

TIME: 09:00-12:30

WHERE: 39 Aberfeldy Street, E14 0NU



Come down, have a cup of tea and a slice of cake and meet your neighbours!

How to get involved?

How does Big Local work?

A partnership board of between 8 and 20 people who live in Aberfeldy meet once a month to discuss the priorities in the Local Plan and make decisions on how to deliver the aims that benefit the whole community. The partnership board and the local knowledge and leadership they have are essential to running the project.

Are you interested in community organising, want to build on what makes your community a good place to live and cooperate with others to make it happen? Join the ABL Board now!

Drop in to 39 Aberfeldy Street to speak to one of the team, or email hello@aberfeldybiglocal.com or call [07436626061](tel:07436626061) to find out more.

You can also register your interest in volunteering opportunities.

For more information on ABL, visit our website by scanning our QR code:



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